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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Southwestern Public Service Company

V.

Docket No. EL13-15-000

Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

## NOTICE OF COMPLAINT

Take notice that on October 26, 2012, pursuant to sections 206 and 309 of the Federal Power Act, 16 USC 824(e) and 825(h) (2006); and Rule 206 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 206 (2012), Xcel Energy Services Inc. on behalf of Southwestern Public Service Company (Complainant) filed a formal complaint against Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP or Respondent), alleging that (1) the transmission rates for SPP Zone 11 are unjust and unreasonable due to the inclusion of the costs of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s (Tri-County) facilities that are not transmission facilities under the SPP Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT); and (2) SPP's filing of transmission rates that included the costs of the Tri-County facilities violated the express terms and conditions of Attachment AI of the SPP OATT and the SPP Member Agreement. The Complainant requests a refund effective date of April 1, 2012.

The Complainant certifies that copies of the complaint were served on the contacts for SPP as listed on the Commission's list of Corporate Officials.

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Comment Date: 5:00 pm Eastern Time on November 15, 2012.

Dated: October 31, 2012

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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